

REMARKS


In this Preliminary Amendment, Applicant has redrafted the Claims so as to be more in accordance with U.S. Patent Law. As such, Applicant requests the above Claim amendments be entered in the Present Application.

Applicants submit that the amendments to the Claims were not made in response to an Examiner's objection or rejection and, as such, were made for non-statutory purposes. Accordingly, these amendments should not limit the scope of the Present Invention, which is to be given the full breadth of the claim language and any equivalents thereof.

Based on the foregoing amendments, the Present Application is considered to be in condition for allowance. It is further believed that no fee is due for the filing of this Preliminary Amendment. If such is not the case, any fee due may be charged to our firm's Deposit Account No. 502261.

Respectfully submitted,

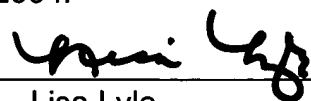
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